

LEGAL NOTICE

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

1915(i) HCBC for High Risk Children with Severe Emotional Disturbance Renewal

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Notice is hereby given that the New Hampshire (NH) Department of Health and Human Services (the Department) is proposing to amend and renew its Section 1915(i) Title XIX State Plan in order to continue to provide services to children with serious behavioral health issues in order to achieve better outcomes. Children will continue to have available to them an enhanced array of services delivered through a coordinated model of practice and service delivery. Proposed amendments include: updated language to include the youth 0-4 into the benefit, updated eligibility criteria for youth 0-4, clarifying role title to include NH Wraparound/Enhanced Care Coordination, updates to projected number of youth served, updates to certification requirements for Care Coordinator role, and updates to Peer Support Competencies. Rates for in-home respite care is based on rates paid for these same services; rates for out-of-home respite care is a per diem and are based on previously set departmental and/or grant rates, as well as age related clinical needs; the rate for wraparound facilitation/care coordination is a per diem based on a grant rate and cost data; the rate for family and youth peer support was based on cost data; and payment for customizable goods and services is based on actual cost and limited per recipient per year.

The proposed effective date for the state plan amendment and renewal is July 1, 2023. Rates will be set as of July 1, 2023, and are effective for services provided on or after July 1, 2023.

The fiscal impact as a result of this rate increase is estimated to result in an increase in expenditures for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2023 and for FFY 2024 as follows:

Dates of Service	Non-Federal Fiscal Impact	Federal Fiscal Impact	Total Fiscal Impact
FFY 2023: 7/1/2023 —9/30/2023	\$239,198	\$239,198	\$478,397
FFY 2024: 10/1/2023—9/30/2024	\$956,795	\$956,795	\$1,913,590

The proposed amendments were presented to our Medical Care Advisory Committee, which is open to the public, on October 7, 2022. Comments were accepted and could be e-mailed to Daryll.C.Tenney@dhhs.nh.gov or Hannah.MaynardYung@dhhs.nh.gov.

Copies of draft State Plan pages are available as of December 30, 2022. Please contact Dawn I. Tierney at (603) 271-9315, or via e-mail at dawn.i.tierney@dhhs.nh.gov, to request copies. The amendments to the State Plan pages may undergo further revisions after submittal to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) based upon CMS feedback. As required by federal requirements, the 1915(i) amendment and renewal request will be submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) no later than December 30, 2022.